

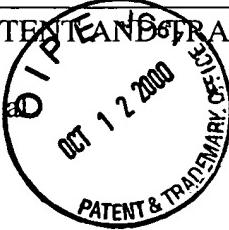
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In re Application of : Gregory D. Troxel et al  
 Serial No. : 09/630,304  
 Filing Date : July 31, 2000  
 Title : SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PREDICTIVE ROUTING



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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, applicant respectfully requests that the following amendment be entered:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 8,

line 12, delete "LSAs," and insert -- router LSAs; specifically, --; and  
 line 12, after "where" insert -- the --.

Page 9,

line 4, after "time" insert -- present in the sequence --; and  
 line 7, change "PLSAs." to -- PLSAs, leaving the original router LSAs unchanged. --.

Page 12,

line 9, delete "of 11" and insert -- 10, flood to area, --

Page 16,

line 12, delete "conventional" and insert - other --;

line 15, before "the signal" insert -- changes in --; and

line 17, after "[step 720]." insert - [It may be convenient for a node to create a

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separate PLSA for each of its interfaces. ~~~

Page 19,

line 5, after "any node." insert - [All nodes must use the same method for determining the LSEI. ~~~

#### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the above amendments to the specification do not constitute new matter.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 07-2339.

Respectfully submitted,

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